

Action asserts that the newly applied reference, Kaye, cures the deficiencies of Dichter and Goldsmith.

In particular, the Office Action asserts that Kaye discloses color correction for plural images at col. 18, line 65 and col. 4, line 20. The Office Action further asserts that Kaye discloses "speeding up the process" at col. 19, line 2. Thus, the Office Action asserts that one of ordinary skill would have been motivated to combine Kaye with Dichter and Goldsmith for "speeding up the process."

However, the "speeding up the process" is associated with applying execute commands "upon a batch, series, or entire sequence of images" (col. 19, lines 1-3), or associated with treating different resolution images differently (col. 18, lines 35-47). The concept of "speeding up the process" is irrelevant to correcting "each of" the correcting object images, as recited in claims 1, 13 and 15. Thus, the "motivation" asserted in the Office Action for combining Kaye with Dichter and Goldsmith lacks merits.

In view of the above, Kaye does not cure the deficiencies of Dichter and Goldsmith. Also, Usikov does not supply the subject matter lacking in Dichter and Goldsmith. Thus, the applied references, either individually or in combination, do not disclose or suggest the subject matter recited in claims 1, 13 and 15, and claims 2-12, 14 and 16 depending therefrom. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-16 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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